Violation of Copyright Act, 1999

†1546. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether a programme 'Ab mobile phone antarrashtriya chesis number par adharit honge' in 'The Week in Business' was telecast with pictures on Delhi Doordarshan (Metro Channel) on 9th February, 2001;

(b) whether the telecast has violated the provisions of Copyright Act, 1999;

(c) if so, whether any legal action has been taken in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Doordarshan has informed that no such programme was telecast on that day.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Hindi feature film 'RAJ'

†1547. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the theme of recently released Hindi film 'Raj' is not fully based on ghosts;

(b) if so, whether it will not lead to the superstitions in the society and exploitation of the commonman by selfish and anti-social elements; and

(c) if so, whether the role of the Film Censor Board in the release of this film will be investigated?

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†. Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) The recently released Hindi film 'Raaz' is not purely based on the theme of ghosts and is a work of fiction. The Examining Committee of the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC), which previewed the film, unanimously recommended grant of an 'A' Certificate to the film subject to certain cuts.

Telecast of Karbi Programme from DD Guwahati

†1548. SHRI INDRAMONI BORA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase time for Karbi programme being telecast from DD Guwahati and DD North-East;

(b) whether there is any proposal to setup Doordarshan Programme Production Centre at Diphu (Karbi-Anglong district); and

(c) whether there is any proposal to setup DD relay centres at Bokajah and Hamren in Karbi-Anglong?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Prasar Bharati have informed that they propose to increase the frequency of tribal programmes including Karbi in the next fixed point chart.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

Amount spent on advertisement by DAVP

1549. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the details of percentage and the amount spent by DAVP on advertisements during the period 200-2001 and from (Ist April, 2001 to 31st December 2001), Language-wise?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): The details of percentage and

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